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In re Patent Application of)	
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Marshall S. Horwitz et al)	Group Art Unit: 1632
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Serial No.: 09/132,231)	Examiner: Not Assigned
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Filed: August 11, 1998)	
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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING)	
NOVEL DNA SEQUENCE)	
WITH BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1 and 2 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 3-14 as follows:

--3. A method of identifying a functional DNA sequence which provides a
desired biological activity comprising:

- a. providing a means for detecting said desired biological activity;
- b. synthesizing a mixed population of random DNA sequences;